



Child Care Facility Information

Name: CERESSA'S ENRICHMENT AND EMPOWERMENT ACADEMY

ID Number: C17BO0424 / 46499

Address: 3140 NW 21st Ave, Oakland Park FL, 33309-5710

Phone Number: (954) 533-1938 **Capacity:** 40

Owner/Director/Staff Responsible: Lakeila Glennis Harris

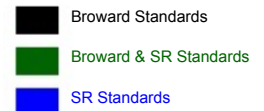
License Expiration Date: 09/30/2019

Inspection Information

Type: Complaint **Date:** 07/29/2019 **Arrival/Departure Time:** 04:30 PM to 08:00 PM

Staff Present: 0 **Children Present:** 0

Inspection Result: Fail



INSPECTION CHECKLIST

This inspection report reflects Chapter 7, Broward County Code of Ordinances('Ordinance'), Chapters 402 and 435, Florida Statutes, ('FS'), and Rule 65C - 22, Florida Administrative Code, ('FAC'), pursuant to Section 7 - 46, Broward County Code of Ordinances. This report is in Department of Children and Families('DCF') format. Addendums or supplemental forms may be attached and/or incorporated.

STAFF REQUIREMENT

01. Background Screening Group: Sec. 7-4, Ordinance, DCF Handbook, and Secs. 402.3055 and 435.04, Not Monitored

02. Education Requirements Group: Secs. 7-3 and 7-4.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook Not Monitored

03. Personnel Training Group: Secs. 7-4.01 and 7-4.02, Ordinance and DCF Handbook Not Monitored

04. Minimum Age Requirements Group: Sec. 7-4.04, Ordinance Not Monitored

05. Health Requirements Group: Sec. 7-4.05, Ordinance Not Monitored

06. Substitute List Group: Sec. 7-8.08, Ordinance Not Monitored

07. Personnel Records Group: Sec. 7-8.03, Ordinance Not Monitored

RATIOS/DISCIPLINE

08. Ratios of Personnel to Children Group: Sec. 7-4.06, Ordinance and DCF Handbook Noncompliance

Non-Compliance Description

08-02 Sec. 7-4.06(c), Ordinance: There shall be at least one (1) staff person providing direct supervision at all times when one (1) or more children are present. At no time shall any child be left alone for any reason without direct supervision. Direct supervision means watching and directing the children's activities within close proximity within the same room inside or within a designated outdoor play area and responding to each child's needs. Child care personnel and volunteers at a facility must be assigned to provide care to a specific group of children and be present with that group of children or child at all times during the day including during meals, napping, snack time, and transportation of children. 2.4.1(B), Handbook: Children must never be left inside or outside the facility, in a vehicle, or at a field trip location by themselves. Lack of direct supervision was observed in the [see below]. (Section 5, numbers 1-17) [SR]

Comments

On July 29th a two year old child was left alone and unsupervised in the facility's vehicle for approximately five (5) hours resulting in the death of the child.

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Violation Level Class 1

09. Ratios of Personnel to Children with Disabilities Group: Sec. 7-4.06, Ordinance Not Monitored

10. Child Discipline: DCF Handbook Not Monitored

FACILITY/STORAGE

11. General Facility Requirements Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook Not Monitored



12. Toxins/Hazardous Materials Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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13. Facility Storage Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance	Not Monitored
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14. Inside Temperature/Ventilation Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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15. Drinking Fountains/Water Coolers Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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16. Phone/Emergency Numbers Posted Group: DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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17. Minimum Number of Staff Members Group: Sec. 7-5.01, Ordinance	Not Monitored
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INDOOR/OUTDOOR SPACE

18. Useable Indoor Play Space Group: Sec. 7-5.02, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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19. Equipment and Furnishings Group: Sec. 7-5.02, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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20. Activity Plan Group: Sec. 7-5.02, Ordinance, and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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21. Napping Space Group: Sec. 7-5.04, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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22. Crib Requirements/Bedding Group: DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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23. Outdoor Play Space Group: Sec. 7-5.03, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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24. Outdoor Equipment Group: Sec. 7-5.03, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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25. Swimming Pool Group: Sec. 7-5.03, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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TOILET/BATH FACILITY

26. Toilet/Bath Facilities Group: Sec. 7-5.05, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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27. Diaper Changing Procedures Group: Sec. 7-5.05, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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28. Handwashing Facilities and Use Group: Sec. 7-5.05, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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HEALTH PROGRAM

29. Written Instructions for Serious Illness/Injury: Sec. 7-6.01, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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30. First Aid Supplies Group: DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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31. Communicable Diseases/Care Of Sick Child Group: Sec. 7-6.02, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
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32. First Aid/CPR Certification Group: Sec. 7-6.01, Ordinance	Not Monitored
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FOOD SERVICE/NUTRITION

33. Alternate Nutrition Plan Group: Secs. 7-7.02 and 7-7.05, Ordinance	Not Monitored
34. Menus/Catering Group: Secs. 7-7.06 and 7-7.09, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
35. Food Protection and Service Group: Secs. 7-7.09 and 7-7.11, Ordinance, and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
36. Feeding Procedure/Seating Group: Sec. 7-7.08, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
37. Nutritional Meals and Snacks Group: Secs. 7-7.01 and 7-7.04, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored

CHILDRENS RECORDS

38. Enrollment Information Group: Secs. 7-8 and 7-8.01, Ordinance	Not Monitored
39. Health Examinations/Health Maintenance Group: Sec. 7-8.02, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
40. Signed Statements Group: Sec. 7-8.04, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
41. Medication Requirements Group: Sec. 7-8.05, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
42. Accident/Incident Reporting Group: Secs. 7-6.01 and 7-8.06, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
43. Field Trip Notification/Permission Group: Sec. 7-8.09, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored
44. Written Release Procedures Group: Sec. 7-8.10, Ordinance and DCF Handbook	Not Monitored

TRANSPORTATION

45. Vehicle Requirements Group: Secs. 7-6.01 and 7-9, Ordinance, DCF Handbook, and Secs. 316.615 and 402.305, FS	Noncompliance
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Non-Compliance Description

45-07 2.5.5, Handbook: Each child, when transported, must be seated in a back seat in an individual factory installed seat belt or federally approved child safety restraint. The child safety restraint must be installed, secured and used in accordance with the manufacturers instructions and a copy of such instructions must be maintained (in the vehicle and/or on file). Child safety restraint must be replaced if they have been recalled, are past the manufacturers date of use expiration date, or have been involved in a crash that meets the U.S. Department of Transportation crash severity criteria or the manufacturers criteria for replacement of restraints after a crash, as referenced in Caring for Our Children Basics Health and Safety Foundations for Early Care and Education, which is incorporated by in 65C-22.001(7) (v), F.A.C. This requirement was not met in that [on July 29th a 2 year old was transported on the vehicle without a separate carrier or a vehicle built in child seat.]. (Section 6.1, number 3) [SR]

Comments

During the course of a complaint investigation related to the death of a child at this facility it was determined that the child was not being transported in a Federally approved child safety seat as required for children one through 3 years of age. The child was placed in the seat and was secured by the seat belt.

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Violation Level Class 1

Non-Compliance Description

45-09 Section 7-9(c)(1-5), Ordinance: Effective July 1, 2013, any vehicle designed or used to transport six (6) or more passengers and one (1) driver must have a child safety alarm device installed. The alarm device must be designed to automatically activate when the vehicle's ignition is turned on. Alarm devices that are activated manually are prohibited; the alarm device must be designed so that the vehicle horn, siren, or other type of audible alarm will sound within one (1) minute if the driver, or a child care facility staff member, does not go to the rear or back seat of the vehicle, or, in the case of a passenger van, does not open the side entry door of the vehicle, to manually shut off the alarm prior to leaving the vehicle. The alarm must be audible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet from the vehicle; the alarm device must be installed so that the driver, or a child care facility staff member, is able to observe the rearmost seats of the vehicle and reach the switch that turns off the alarm prior to leaving the vehicle. The driver, or a child care facility staff member, must physically inspect each seat before turning off the alarm and leaving the vehicle; the alarm device must be installed by any certified technician or mechanic employed by an electronics or automotive business in accordance with the device manufacturer's recommendations. The child safety alarm installed on the facility's vehicle(s) did not meet all requirements in that [see below]. The facility needs to make the necessary adjustments to ensure that the child safety alarm device meets all of the above requirements. The facility shall provide a written plan of correction outlining steps to be taken to ensure the safety of children while being transported.

Comments

During the course of the complaint investigation related to the death of a child at this facility it could not be determined if the alarm had been working properly as the vehicle was not available for inspection. However the driver of the vehicle admitted the following during an interview with a detective from the Criminal Investigations Division Homicide Unit of the Broward County Sheriff's Office:
 On July 29, 2019 at 9:30 am she arrived at the childcare facility and parked the vehicle. She then exited the vehicle from the drivers side and walked around the outside of the vehicle to the back where she turned off the child safety alarm. The driver then walked to the passenger side of the vehicle and allowed the children to exit the vehicle. The driver did not follow the correct procedures for operating the alarm on this vehicle as it states that the driver or a staff member must physically inspect each seat before turning off the alarm.
 The violation is escalated to a Class 1 violation due to the death of a child

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Violation Level **Class 2**

46. Drivers Qualifications/Requirements Group: Sec. 7-9, Ordinance and DCF Handbook

Noncompliance

Non-Compliance Description

46-06 2.5.2(A), Handbook: A log must be maintained for all children being transported in a vehicle or on foot away from the premises of the child care facility. The facility did not have evidence that a log was maintained for children transported. (Section 6.2, number 3) [SR]

Comments

During the course of the complaint investigation related to the death of a child at this facility a transportation log could not be reviewed. However the driver admitted that the transportation log was not completed during an interview with a Detective from the Criminal Investigation Division Homicide Unit of the Broward County Sheriff's Office.
 This violation escalates to a Class 1 violation due to the death of a child.

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Violation Level **Class 2**

LICENSE/CERTIFICATES

47. License/Inspection Reports Group: Sec. 7-11, Ordinance and DCF Handbook

Noncompliance

Non-Compliance Description

47-11 Sec. 7-11.11(k), Ordinance: The local licensing agency may issue a Notice of Violation to a child care facility that has received three (3) violations in any twelve (12) month period or two (2) violations of the same nature in any twelve (12) month period and, thereafter, schedule a hearing before a county-appointed hearing officer. The purpose of the hearing shall be to review the events leading to the issuance of the prior violations and to determine if the violations reflect continuing, recurring, and unresolved problems that adversely affect or may adversely affect the health, safety, and well-being of the children enrolled at the facility. At the conclusion of the hearing held in accordance with Sec. 7-11.16 of this Ordinance, the hearing officer shall issue Findings and Recommendations as provided for in Sec. 7-11.17 of this Ordinance.

Comments

A notice of violation is issued to the facility as they have received three (3) or more Class 1 violations within a twelve (12) month period. On July 31, 2019 the following violations were issued to the facility due to the death of a child in care: 1)lack of supervision on the vehicle 2)vehicle child safety alarm,3) no transportation log, 4) daily attendance and 5) improper seat belt/child restraints.

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Violation Level **Class 1**

48. Nighttime Child Care Group: Sec. 7-5.06, Ordinance and DCF Handbook

Not Monitored

49. Fire and Emergency Safety Group: Sec. 7-5.08, Ordinance and DCF Handbook

Not Monitored

50. Fire Drills/Emergency Procedures Group: DCF Handbook

Not Monitored

51. Insurance Group: Sec 7-10, Ordinance

Not Monitored



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Type: Complaint Date: 07/29/2019

52. Daily Attendance Group: DCF Handbook

Noncompliance

Non-Compliance Description

52-01 7.5 and (A), Handbook: Daily attendance of children must be taken and recorded accurately by the child care personnel, documenting the time when each child enters and departs the program. Attendance devices used for the purposes of tracking attendance may be used, but personnel must ensure the accuracy of the documented attendance. Each classroom must have an attendance sheet/class roster for the group of children occupying that space. There was no attendance sheet/class roster in the [see below] classroom. Section 19.3, number 1) [SR]

Comments

During the course of the complaint investigation related to the death of a child at this facility it could not be determined if attendance was recorded today. However the staff admitted the following during an interview with a detective from the Criminal Investigations Division Homicide Unit of the Broward County Sheriff's Office:

Staff stated that every morning when children enter the building the director records that they have arrived. This was not done this morning as the director was not on site at 9:30 when the vehicle arrived to the facility.

This violation is escalated to a Class 1 violation due to the death of a child

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Violation Level Class 3

Counselor Comments

The incident occurred on July 29, 2019. The investigation was conducted on July 29, 2019 and July 30, 2019. A copy of the report was emailed to the director on August 2, 2019. The notice of violation was issued on August 5, 2019.

Received by: Lakeila Glennis Harris
Date: 07/29/2019

Inspected by: Ellen Pincus
Date: 07/29/2019